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CAMISADE. His Russian case officer put him under pressure to obtain intelligence from his notional American contacts. CA, ISADE was instructed to ingratiate himself with the Americans, and he has even been authorized to pass on to the Americans accurate information on SWB, ADM, and to a limited extent, TASS.

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PREGNANT. A promising operation, designed to put PREGNANT in touch with an American official, came to naught when the latter proved unobtainable. The underlying idea of this operation was to learn about Soviet methods in dealing with a United States official who would pretend to hew to the Wallace line. Our candidate for this operation, an intelligence officer with the Financial Division of OMGUS, declined to cooperate on the grounds that he doubted our ability to defend him against inevitable repercussions should his superiors, or even worse, his wife, learn of his new role.

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Camisade continues to be useful as a source of Mercury information, although the intelligence he furnishes cannot be considered high level. We are satisfied that operational security has been fully preserved in running Camisade, and, should he ever come to grief, the harm he could do us would be negligible.

We are concerned lest a housecleaning in SWB, presumably initiated with a view to stopping the many leaks of information from its offices, take in Camisade's sub-source for the bulk of his information on the Soviet press services (cf BSC/OPS/157)

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PREGNANT. Unremitting efforts to infuse life into this double agent project have met with few tangible results. Our attempt to embody the notional Mr. WEBB in the person of Mr. S. Kagan, an OMGUS employee, came to nothing. In BSC/OPS/146 we set forth at some length the reasons inducing Mr. Kagan to turn us down, because we felt his qualms were symptomatic and likely to arise in other cases. We are keeping close tabs on Camisade's security as reflected in BSC/OPS/147.

It now appears that our fruitful "collaboration" with Pregnant has finally come to an end (cf BSC/OPS/154, 158). We consider it unlikely that he will resume control over Camisade, and we can only say our best wished follow him wherever he may go. He has proved an extremely hard nut to crack, and looking back we maintain that he was an able intelligence officer anxious to learn from his and our mistakes.

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See KASTING
CAMISADE source of part of info on probable
Russian agent KASTING
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